

## Prayer Requests This Week

- Continue to pray for Pat Nalls, Sally Wall, Lois Edwards, Glenna Jolly, Ron & Ruby Marks, Estela Martinez, Antonia Salas, Clemencia Garcia, Victoria & Victoria & Tony Howard, Dolores & Sergio Cercado and Doyle & Michell Thomas

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Inscribe the Word -May Scripture Writing Plan  
Silence and Solitude

*We need solitude if we intend to unmask the false self and its important-looking image. Alone, without distractions, we put ourselves in a place where God can reveal things to us that we might not notice in the normal preoccupations of life. Solitude opens a space where we can bring our empty and compulsive selves to God. And no matter how well we “do” silence, God is there to accept, receive and love us. God longs for us to be our true self in Christ. He wants us to be who we are meant to be. In solitude we see how little we embrace our identity in Christ. And we find the truth of who we are in Christ. We are the beloved, and God is pleased with us.” (Pick up your writing plan in the lobby today!)*

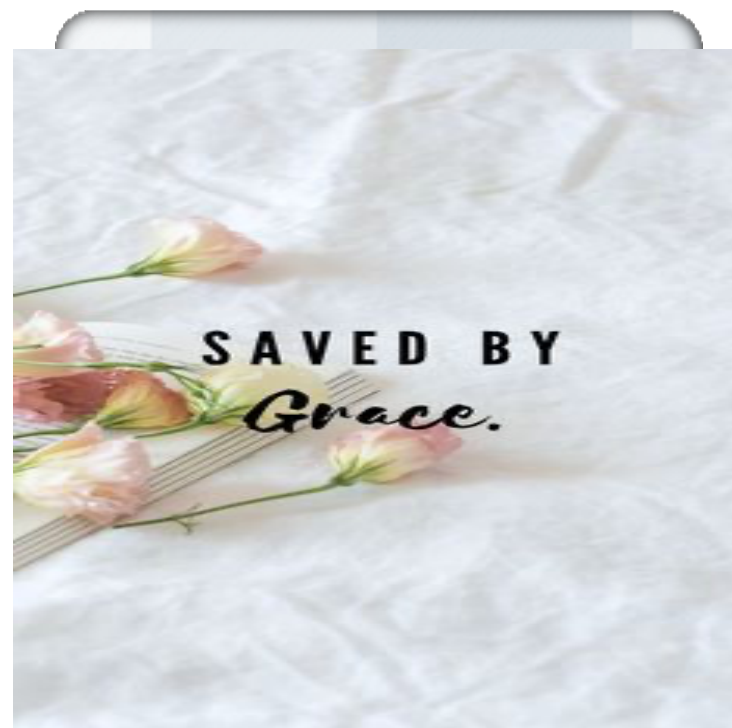
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Y'all wanna teach your kids a life lesson in 2 minutes? Show them the replay to the Kentucky Derby Race.

1. Not the best starting position
2. Not the biggest or best horse
3. Only made it into the race on account of another horse having to scratch
4. \$30,000 horse against multimillion dollar horse.

It ain't always about having the best of everything or being the biggest and favored. It's about the size of heart and dedication to win and excel in everything you do!  
Well done Rich Strike (Audra Five killer-Nunez)

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. We surrender our lives to You, Lord - every moment of our day, each decision we make, we yield our will and way to Your perfect will and way.



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*“In His presence there is  
fullness of JOY” Psalms 16:11*

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## **GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- We're glad you are here!
- Wednesday night Bible study at 7:00 pm
- Thursday 4:30 pm- Preparing to Be a Help Meet Study for young women
- Thursday Night Youth Group 6:00 pm
- May 27<sup>th</sup> - Area Wide Singing Porterville CofC
- Thursday night Youth Group at 6:00 pm
- May 28<sup>th</sup> Men's Breakfast - Boss Hoggs 8:00 am
- May 28<sup>th</sup> Women's Breakfast at the church 8:00 am
- Contributions can be made in person, mailed or made safely online through our website
- The Manor House has a vacancy - spread the word...
- Linette's cousin, Khris, is looking for a room to rent.

## **Order of Worship:**

Announcements: Richard Pfeifer

Songs - Ludden Family

Morning Prayer - Larry Thompson

Communion - Melvin Nalls

Speaker: Zack Ludden

Closing Prayer - Wayne Hardcastle

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### **Wedding Bells**

John Hansen & Faith Ludden would be honored by your presence at their wedding ceremony via live stream on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. U tube link coming soon.

Start With Prayer – Max Lucado

Moses prayed, and the Red Sea opened. Abraham prayed, and Lot's family was spared.

Elijah prayed, and fire fell.

Joshua prayed, and the walls of Jericho collapsed.

Nehemiah prayed, and the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt.

The disciples prayed, and the church was born.

The church prayed, and Peter was freed.

Peter and Cornelius prayed, and the gospel was taken to the world.

Do you think things happen when people pray? Yes!

"God will always give what is right to his people who cry to him night and day... I tell you, God will help his people quickly" (Luke 18:7-8).  
"When two of you get together on anything at all on earth and make a prayer out of it, my Father in heaven goes into action" (Matt. 18:19).  
"And we are sure of this, that he will listen to us whenever we ask him for anything in line with his will" (1 John 5:14).

Is any other spiritual activity promised such power? Did Jesus call us to preach without ceasing? Or teach without ceasing? Or have committee meetings without ceasing? Or sing without ceasing? No, but he did call us to "pray without ceasing" (1 Thess. 5:17).

God is moved by the humble, prayerful heart. "The LORD will hear your crying and he will comfort you. When he hears you, he will help you" (Isa. 30:19).

We can do much after we pray. But we should do nothing before we pray. Let's start with prayer: